

called to stand guard over property. At the same time loyal citizens have, without authority of law, been forced, without having previously voluntarily enlisted, to enter the service of the State, for periods varying from one to eight and ten months; in many instances leaving their families wholly without the means of support. The organization of these troops has assumed a quasi permanent character, by the creation of a force known as "*Provisional Regiments.*" The in-

Against it. Thus, those who are for the Union without, but not without slavery—those for it without but not without—those for it with or without, but prefer it with, and those for it with or without, but prefer it without.

Among these again is a subdivision of those who are for gradual, but not for immediate, and those who are for immediate, but not for gradual extinction of slavery.

It is easy to conceive that all these shades of opinion, and even more, may be sincerely

sphere, judge what to do and what to for-
 war.
 Your obedient servant,
 A. LINCOLN.

INSTRUCTIONS TO GEN. SCHOFIELD.
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 EXECUTIVE MANSION, }
 WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 1, 1863. }
 Gen. John M. Schofield:
 There is no organized military force in
 vowed opposition to the General Government

the Delegation and the Executive Committee. You will observe that his letter does meet the grounds which we presented in our papers. It is, in fact, more remarkable in what it does not say than for what it says. It is equally remarkable for an apparent want of appreciation of the true posture and needs of Missouri affairs.

We stated to him that a pro-slavery policy animated Missouri, and that Gen. Schofield

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